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For: Tensioned Pipe Support

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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SIR:

This paper is presented as the Applicant's response to the Office Action mailed June 15, 2005. The Examiner has asserted that the application contains two patentably distinct inventions, i.e., a process and an apparatus for practicing the process. The Examiner asserts that claims 1 through 34 are drawn to the method of arranging a pipe support and claims 35 through 44 are drawn to an apparatus designed to apply the support.

The Applicant has been directed to elect a single invention for prosecution on the merits to which the claims will be restricted.

The Applicant elects method claims 1 through 34.